

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF ENGINEERING COLLEGES

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of engineering colleges functioning in the country as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the criteria adopted by the Government/AICTE to set up engineering college in a particular area;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to set up more engineering colleges in the country during the current year, particularly in Uttar Pradesh;
- (d) if so, the details of places selected for the purpose, State-wise;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) the number of applications for setting up of new engineering colleges received from State Governments during the last three years alongwith the status thereof;
- (g) the number of applications pending/cleared as on date; and
- (h) the time by when pending applications are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a): The State-wise list of AICTE approved engineering colleges functioning in the country is at Annexure.

(b) to (e): The Council has a well-defined open-ended Approval Process. The Council invites proposals from Society/Trust/Central Government/State Government/University/University Department every year for setting up of new technical institutions. The Council grants approval to those applicants who comply with the norms and guidelines of the Council. The detailed norms and guidelines for setting up of new technical institutions including engineering colleges are made known to the public by the AICTE through various publications and are available on AICTE website www.aicte.ernet.in.

(f) to (h): The Council received 17 applications from State Governments for setting up of new engineering colleges during the last three-year. The Council has granted approval to 16 applicants and one applicant from West Bengal has received Letter of Intent (LOI) on May 18, 2005 (for two academic session i.e. 2005-2006 and 2006-2007) during the said period. No application is pending with AICTE from the State Governments.